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NOTICE OF JURY SCAM

In various parts of the country, citizens are being randomly targeted by telephone by individuals claiming to be court personnel or law enforcement officials. The victims are fraudulently told that they missed jury duty and must pay a fine in order to avoid arrest and prosecution. Caught off guard and wanting to resolve the problem, some people provided their credit card number, purchased money cards, or revealed confidential information that could lead to identity theft. These telephone calls were not from court officials.

Fortunately, this activity has not been reported in our area, but this warning is necessary to alert residents to the scam. Please be aware that the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina does not ask for credit card or bank account numbers from any juror. In addition, the court does not request personal information, such as a birth date or Social Security number, for verification purposes over the telephone.

It is a crime to falsely represent oneself as a federal court official. Persons receiving such a telephone call should not provide the requested information and are asked to call the Eastern District of North Carolina jury office at 1-800-342-2539.

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